

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the following discussion and in view of the present amendment, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 11-12, 22-23, 33-34, 36, and 40-41 have been amended. Claims 1-38 and 40-41 are pending and under consideration.

I. Interview

Appreciation is expressed to the Examiner for the telephone interview granted by the Examiner on May 1, 2008. During the interview, further amendments to the independent claims to overcome the 35 USC § 112, first paragraph rejections and the previously cited prior art were discussed. Accordingly, Applicants have submitted the following amendments and remarks in accordance with this discussion. Other points raised during the interview are also included in the comments below.

II. Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

In the Office Action, at pages 2-4, claims 1-38 and 40-41 were rejected under the first paragraph of 35 USC § 112 as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Independent claims 1, 11-12, 22-23, 33-34, 36, and 40-41 have been amended to overcome these rejections. Claim 1, for example, has been amended to recite “providing at least one of a first newly displayed line in a direction of the manipulation and a first newly displayed column in a direction of the manipulation within the predetermined display area in which the display attributes of the plurality of elements structuring the information are not changed.”

Support for the claims as amended can be found in the specification at page 12, line 21 through page 16, line 7 and in FIG. 3 of the drawings. With reference to FIG. 3 of the drawings, the display screen is scrolled in a downward direction as depicted by arrowhead 35. Specifically, display screen 33 in FIG. 3 is an **on-movement** (during movement in the scrolling direction) display screen in which the characters forming the forehead line (66666) **in the direction of manipulation** (arrowhead 35) are not scaled down. More specifically, at page 14, lines 9 through 13, the specification discloses that “the user is able to specify the number of lines (**N-lines**) including the focus line which are **not scaled down**” and “on the display screen 33 in FIG. 3, the number of lines is specified such as **N = 1**” (emphasis added). As such, the use of the

terms "a first newly displayed line" and "a first newly displayed column" are clearly and fully supported in the specification.

Accordingly, withdrawal of these § 112 rejections is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.


Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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